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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. (Not yet assigned); Filed 09/21/2001
For: **Ranking-based Automatic Dark Compensation Circuit**
Inventor(s): **Li, C.**
Docket No.: **ICM-P005**

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having named inventor(s):
Li, C.
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 - (ii) 2 pages of claims;
 - (iii) 1 page abstract;
 - b. 3 sheets of **informal** drawings: (FIGs. 1-3);
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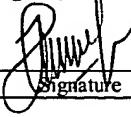
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Li, C.

Entitled: **"RANKING-BASED AUTOMATIC DARK COMPENSATION CIRCUIT"**

9 No. pages of specification, including title page, claims and abstract
3 No. sheets of X informal, formal drawings

Also enclosed are:

X Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application
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X Form PTO-1595 (Recordation Cover Sheet for Assignment)
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